

I-405 Projects Update

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WSDOT “Road Show” Comes to Kirkland Businesses

Members of I-405 project teams are coming to Kirkland-area business meetings this fall to present information and answer questions about getting around during our construction projects. Check our [I-405 Community Calendar](#) for upcoming meetings, or contact [Colleen Gants](#) (425-456-8555) to schedule a presentation for your group.

- **Newcastle Chamber of Commerce**
Sept. 7, 11:00 a.m., Tapatio on Coal Creek Parkway
- **DATE/TIME CHANGE:** [Totem Lake Action Team](#)
Sept. 7, 4:00 p.m., Council Chambers
- **NEW: Kirkland Downtown Action Team**
Sept. 14, 4:00 p.m., City of Kirkland Peter Kirk Room
- [85th Action Team](#)
Sept. 14, 6:30 p.m., Lake Washington Methodist Church
- **DATE CHANGE:** [Kirkland Chamber of Commerce](#)
Sept. 15, 12:00 noon, Kirkland Chamber Offices
- [Kirkland Downtown on the Lake](#)
Sept. 21, 8:00 a.m., FileNet Building
- [Kirkland Economic Partnership](#)
Sept. 26, 4:00 p.m., Kirkland City Hall
- **NEW: I-405 Travel Options Business Brown Bag**
Oct. 6, 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

New Web Site Helps You Get Around During I-405 Construction

Construction on I-405 freeway improvements has only just begun. We're ready to help you get where you're going with our new [I-405 Travel Options](#) Web site while we work on long-term transportation solutions. Here you can find:

- online tools to help you plan your bus trip
- cash rewards for joining a vanpool
- how to find someone to carpool with

and much more. We'll be adding promotions and events as construction continues, so bookmark this site and check back for updates.

Totem Lake Freeway Station Project in Full Swing

Driving through the [Totem Lake Freeway Station Project](#) is a different experience from week to week, because crews are making rapid progress and the landscape is changing quickly.

Drivers have adjusted quickly to the long-term closure of the northbound on ramp at NE 124th Street. There were few traffic snarls and few complaints. We've started removing and rebuilding the ramp to improve how drivers get onto the freeway and to increase traffic flow on westbound NE 124th Street near the ramp.

Most noticeable to drivers are the beginnings of bridge supports for the new overpass at 128th Street. Crews are also drilling shafts for the northbound and southbound I-405 widening at NE 132nd Street. This work will continue for the next two months.

Ongoing and upcoming traffic closures include:

- Nightly closures of up to three lanes in each direction of I-405 (except Friday nights)
- Nightly closures of all lanes in both directions of NE 132nd under I-405
- A seven-week closure of the northbound on-ramp from westbound NE 124th (mid-August through early October)
- A weekend closure of the northbound on-ramp from Totem Lake Blvd. (date TBD)

Weekend Closures on I-90 Floating Bridge for Light Rail Tests

Sound Transit and WSDOT will conduct technical tests on the I-90 center roadway to help determine what it would take in the future to build light rail across the bridge. The testing will require the closure of the express lanes and nighttime closures of the I-90 westbound lanes between Seattle and Mercer Island. Details on the exact dates and times for these closures will be released soon. Visit [Sound Transit's Web site](#) for information on their work to study high-capacity transit options for I-90.

Highway Advisory Radio Updates

Tune your radio to 530 AM or 1520 AM as you drive on I-405 through the Totem Lake area of Kirkland to hear the latest closure information and project updates. Questions or comments? E-mail Laura Johnson at JohnsoL@wsdot.wa.gov.

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